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THE PLAY OF FRACTIONAL LOTTERY TICKETS

UTILIZING POINT-OF-SALE TERMINALS

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## Dear Examiner

In response to the Office Action mailed <u>December 11, 2007</u> (Paper No. / Mail Date 20071206), please consider the following remarks.

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